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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the office action mailed on March 22, 2006. Pending claims 1-20 and 26-30 were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102 and 112, first and second paragraphs. This response is timely filed with a petition and fee for two-months extension of time. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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